

Outdoors Briefs: Sight-In Days To Be Held At Near Yankton

The Yankton Sharpshooters will be holding our annual public Sight-in Days on Sept. 18 and Oct. 9.

If you have a firearm that needs to be sighted in for the upcoming hunting seasons, come out to the range located five miles west of Wal-Mart on Highway 50 and 2 1/2 miles north on the Utica oil road. Benches, rests and targets are provided.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. See a range officer before removing your guns from your vehicle.

History Comes To Life At

Beaver Creek Nature Area

BRANDON — Fiddlers, homestead living, pioneer farming, Civil War soldiering, pioneer crafts and outdoor cooking will greet visitors to

Beaver Creek Nature Area near Brandon on Sunday, Sept. 11.

From 1 to 4 p.m. CDT, the park will host the 33rd Annual Homesteader Day Harvest Festival. The event attracts thousands of visitors of all ages each year who want a taste of homestead life and pioneer living history.

Visitors can watch teams of horses go about the tasks of plowing, cultivating, seeding and harvesting the old-fashioned way. Visitors can also take part in homestead crafts like candle and rope making, Dutch oven cooking, and butter making. Other demonstrations will include rosemaking, wood carving, chair caning and pioneer games.

Admission to the Homesteader Day Harvest Festival is free.

Beaver Creek Nature Area is located southeast of Brandon, one-half mile west of the intersection of 484th Avenue and 264th Street. For more info, contact Palisades State Park at 605-594-3824. For more info, on S.D. State Parks, visit www.gfp.sd.gov or call 605-773-3391.

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Fall Fishing: Best Is Yet To Come

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When many outdoorsmen and women think of fall, many they have their sights set on hunting, which is unfortunate as during the fall there can be some great fishing.

I love both hunting and fishing, so this is a tough time of the year for me, what's a person to do, well, I choose to do both and anyone whose been in my pickup in the fall will tell you, I carry both hunting and fishing gear this time of the year.

Individuals like myself can't wait until fall, as we know that once water temperatures start to cool, the fish will start to feed heavily as they, like us, know what's coming, the long hard winter so they'll start packing on the pounds before winter arrives.

Big is the name of the game when it comes to fall fishing with the fish looking for a way to build fat reserves quickly, so bigger livebait really will attract and catch all size and species of fish.

Excellent bait choices for fall fishing would include any larger bait, especially oily fish that give off a strong scent trail such as Creek Chubs and Shad, depending on what species you're fishing for.

When I say we're using Creek Chubs, it's not the large Sucker Chubs that many bait shops sell, these are the chubs that can be seined or trapped from a creek, pond or river. Sucker Chubs will work if you're in a pinch, but they don't have the scent and don't produce as well as Creek Chubs in the fall.

For walleyes and sauger, we've found that a 3/8th ounce jig with a "wide" gap hook works best when using big livebait. We also use stinger hooks on our jigs, which is no more than a length of small leader material or mono line tied or attached to the jig with a



PHOTO: LARRY MYHRE
Fran Myhre, of Sioux City, Iowa, is pictured with a good Largemouth Bass taken in the fall from a small lake in northwest Iowa.

larger treble attached on the other end that's hooked along the back of the Chub.

A jig with a double eye, one to attach your line and another where you'd attach the stinger hook. The standard stinger hooks, ones purchased over the counter are generally too short and have too small of a treble hook as it literally disappears when hooked into a large Creek Chub, some of the bigger chubs we use in the fall can be up to seven inches in length.

These are the reasons a friend of ours puts together his Buckshot stinger hooks for us.

He starts with a length of light Steelon leader material and using a sleeve, attaches it to the stinger eye or onto the hook itself on jigs without the 2nd eye, making them different lengths, allowing them to be used on different size Chubs. Because we use such large Creek Chubs, he then attaches a large red treble hook, one with a gap of 1/2" to the other end, the larger treble catches a lot of our fish

as it allows part of the hook to protrude from the chub.

When jigged in the deep holes or along the edge of the old river channel, these larger jigs and livebait account for the majority of the fish we take in the fall.

For largemouth bass in the fall, larger spinnerbaits, and jig and pig combinations work well, with a livebait rig (large hook, split shot and slip bobber) tipped with large bait also working well. Look for the fish to be cruising along the drop offs leading into deeper water where they can move shallow to feed or drop into deeper water if needed.

Catfishermen using Creek Chubs on large Octopus or Kahle hooks will do well in the fall. There are excellent populations of catfish in most bodies of water in the upper Midwest including the Sioux River (South Dakota & Iowa) and Missouri River (South Dakota, Nebraska & Iowa) as well as on the Missouri River Reservoirs (North Dakota, South Dakota & Iowa). Creek Chubs work well when attached whole, but since catfish rely primarily on it's sense of smell, cutting them into pieces and stringing them on a hook lets the scent to disperse quickly into the water, helping the catfish to locate the bait.

This can also be done with shad as once they are cut up, their oily sent carries down stream, attracting any fish in the area. The livebait rig used by catfishermen, is made up of a heavy egg sinker, snap swivel with an 18" mono leader with a 4/0 or 5/0 hook giving you plenty of room to pack on the cut bait.

No matter what species you are after, big is better in the fall and don't worry about having too big of a bait and not being able to hook smaller fish as I've caught walleyes and sauger smaller than the livebait I was fishing with.

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TROPHY SPOTLIGHT



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Eric Moore of Yankton shot this mountain goat during a recent hunt in British Columbia, Canada. After a successful stalk, Moore was able to shoot the goat at a 50-yard downward angle.



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with the 25-20 win.

"She's a gamer - I've seen it both in volleyball and basketball," said Woodward of Watertown's Hemiller. "When they're behind, she's going to put her team on her back, and she almost brought them back down 19-10."

"These girls do that and Tia is a great leader that way," said Beste. "They never quit and that might get them runs at the ends of games, but we have to hope we're not always playing catch-up and that we're in control of the whole game."

Hora led Yankton with 21 kills as Fitzgerald had 14 and Fedders had 41 set-assists. Defensive specialist Cornemann had 29 digs as Nelson had 11.

Mindy Doering led Yankton's blockers with three solo blocks and two block assists and Ekeren had eight kills.

"Those are two kids we know that need to be more involved and they know they need to be more involved," said Woodward of seniors Doering and Ekeren. "I was happy with their effort tonight."

Hemiller had 18 kills to lead Watertown. Emily Pengilly set for 36 assists and Carlisa Langerock had 13 digs for Watertown.

The Gazelles, now 5-0 and 5-0 in the ESD, will be tested when they host defending state champion Sioux Falls Lincoln Thursday and Aberdeen Central Saturday.

"5-0 is 5-0; we've beat some good teams, but our toughest week is coming up," said Woodward. "We've got a few things to clean up between now and then, but I'm confident this group can do that."

The Arrows, 2-4 and 1-2 in the ESD, hosts Brookings Tuesday. Watertown won the JV match 25-21, 25-21.

Kelsey Butler had five kills for Yankton as Maria Binder had eight set-assists. Olivia Christopher and Brooke Wuebben each served up two aces.

The Arrows also won in sophomore action.

Emily Bos had seven kills for the Gazelles, and Alyssa Schild led with eight digs.

Yankton's 'A' freshmen team fell to 3-2 as Watertown won the match 25-11, 25-20.

Paige Thieman had eight digs and two blocks to lead Yankton, and Jaclyn Arens had two blocks.

Watertown held on for a 25-14, 12-25, 25-13 freshmen 'B' win.

Morgyn Jaquith set for seven assists and Maggie Wallis had five digs for Yankton.

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good birdie on (Hole No.) 7 that got me going, and a birdie coming down the stretch on (Hole No.) 1, which was my 16th hole."

Almost everything seemed to be working for the Crusader stand-out.

"I had a lot of good drives. I made some good putts and good chips," Farrell said. "My irons were a little shaky, but this is a shorter course, so it didn't hurt me."

Yankton finished at 327, good enough for ninth, led by freshman Jace Guthmiller's 75 on a day he picked up the South Dakota Golf Association's Golfer of the Year award for the boys' 14-15 year-old age group.

"He's been playing with us since seventh grade. He was on that great team we had two years ago that finished second in the state," Sime said of Guthmiller. "He has a lot of experience, not only at the high school level, and he's going out and showing us he's a leader with his play."

"He works hard at his game and it shows."

Teammate Mason Sundleaf was similarly honored Friday, earning the SDGA award for the boys' 12-13 year-old division.

Brandon Frick shot an 82, and the trio of Logan Megard, Sundleaf and Mitch Schlingman each shot 85 for the Bucks. Ben Jensen rounded out the "red team" roster with a 90.

For the Yankton "black team," Evan Hoffman and Zach Kosmatka led the way, each at 88. Jason Schindler shot 94, Brady Weidmeier shot 95, Eric Stratman shot

97 and Chase Brummer shot 102.

With just two weeks of competition between now and the Eastern South Dakota Conference Championships, Yankton's battle for the six varsity roster spots will become increasingly competitive.

"It's going to be tough for the kids, because not all of them will get a spot. It's also hard for the coach to have to tell them that they didn't make it," Sime said. "But when there's competition on the team, it can only make the team better. It's good to have the individual competition that we have."

After today's (Saturday) trip to the Brookings Invitational, an 8

a.m. start for which the six Bucks competing left Friday night, the next two times out will be of significant importance in deciding who will be going to the ESD Championships and to state.

"This is a huge week," Sime noted. "These next few tournaments will kind of be playoffs for us. Tuesday (vs. Lennox) and Thursday (vs. Lincoln and Washington) will be playoffs for Friday's Mitchell Invitational, then it's conference and state."

"We'll be able to tell a lot about our time in the next week."

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